
HOUSE BILL No. 1807

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 5-10-8-8.5.

Synopsis: Health insurance for retired state employees. Provides that a state employee who retires after June 30, 2003, may obtain state employee health insurance coverage equal to the coverage offered to active state employees if the retired state employee pays the employee's share of the premium. Provides that eligibility for coverage does not end when the employee is eligible for Medicare. Makes a conforming amendment.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 23, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

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First Regular Session 113th General Assembly (2003)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2002 Regular or Special Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 5-10-8-8.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2003]: **Sec. 8.5. (a) Notwithstanding sections 6.5, 8, 8.1, and 8.2**
4 **of this chapter, a retired employee described in section 6.5, 8, 8.1,**
5 **or 8.2 of this chapter who retires after June 30, 2003, may**
6 **participate in group health insurance plan coverage described in**
7 **section 6.5, 8, 8.1, or 8.2 of this chapter:**

8 (1) **regardless of whether the retired employee is eligible for**
9 **Medicare coverage as prescribed by 42 U.S.C. 1395 et seq.;**
10 **and**

11 (2) **if the retired employee:**

12 (A) **otherwise meets the requirements of participation in**
13 **the group health insurance plan; and**

14 (B) **pays an amount equal to the amount an active**
15 **employee would pay toward the cost of the group health**
16 **insurance plan coverage.**

17 **The employer shall pay the remainder of the cost of the coverage.**

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1 (b) Notwithstanding sections 6.5, 8, 8.1, and 8.2 of this chapter,
2 the spouse or surviving spouse of a retired employee described in
3 section 6.5, 8, 8.1, or 8.2 of this chapter who retires after June 30,
4 2003, may participate in group health insurance plan coverage
5 described in section 6.5, 8, 8.1, or 8.2 of this chapter:

6 (1) regardless of whether the spouse or surviving spouse is
7 eligible for Medicare coverage as prescribed by 42 U.S.C.
8 1395 et seq.; and

9 (2) if the spouse or surviving spouse:

10 (A) otherwise meets the requirements of participation in
11 the group health insurance plan; and

12 (B) pays an amount equal to the amount an active
13 employee would pay toward the cost of the group health
14 insurance plan coverage.

15 The employer shall pay the remainder of the cost of the coverage.

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